

JUDGE JOHN H. CHUN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	No. CR22-159-JHC
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED
v.)	MOTION TO CONTINUE TRIAL
)	AND PRETRIAL MOTIONS
DONALD WATTERS,)	DEADLINE
)	
Defendant.)	

THE COURT has considered the parties' stipulated motion to continue the trial date and pretrial motions deadline, and the facts and circumstances described therein, which are hereby incorporated as findings of fact, and finds that:

(a) taking into account the exercise of due diligence, a failure to grant a continuance in this case would deny counsel for the defendant the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation due to counsel's need for more time to receive and review the evidence, consider possible defenses, and gather evidence material to the defense, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv); and

(b) a failure to grant such a continuance in this proceeding would likely result in a miscarriage of justice, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i); and

(c) the additional time requested is a reasonable period of delay, as the defendant has requested more time to prepare for trial, to investigate the matter, to gather evidence material to the defense, and to consider possible defenses; and

(d) the ends of justice will best be served by a continuance, and the ends of justice outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in any speedier trial, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A); and

(e) the additional time requested between the current trial date of April 3, 2023 and the new trial date is necessary to provide counsel for the defendant the reasonable time necessary to prepare for trial, in light of all of the facts set forth above; and

(f) the period of delay from the date of this order to the new trial date is excludable time pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(7)(A) and (h)(7)(B)(iv).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the trial date in this matter shall be continued to July 10, 2023, and that pretrial motions shall be filed no later than May 30, 2023.

DONE this 21st day of February 2023.


JOHN H. CHUN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Presented by:

s/ *Elizabeth Sher*
Assistant Federal Public Defender
Attorney for Donald Watters

s/ *William Dreher*
Assistant United States Attorney
Per electronic authorization